

Community Life and Growth Board Meeting

Worship Board Minutes February 4, 2015

Convener: Abbey Emby
 Recorder: Sue Peterson
 Members Present: Abbey Embry, Sue Peterson, Rachel Small Stokes, Gabe Evans, Kent Gilbert
 Members Absent: Rhonda Edwards
 Visitors: Dodie Murphy, Pearl Marshall and Marlene Payne

	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Action Needed</u>	<u>By Whom</u>	<u>Follow-up Date</u>
<u>Devotional</u>	Dodie read about the Benefit of the Pose....being silent, inhabiting the space of now. Instead of being pre-occupied with the future, learn how to make the most of each precious moment of now.	None		
<u>Communion & New Informative Pew Cards</u>	Communion Cards seemed to help make the communion run more smoothly. Still tweaking them.	Still important to make sure each participant gets card and knows what to do.	Abby	<u>Each time</u>
<u>Summer Music Program</u>	Gabe and Pearl presented their ambitious plans for an active summer music program which could include EVERYONE! Two handbell ringing workshops are planned for “new” and “experienced” players. Also possibly one for kids as well. Hymn Sings – being planned for 4 th Sunday evenings. These hour long hymn sings will focus on old favorites. 4 th Sunday Share Your Music – Featuring our talented local musicians – will add different perspective to our regular music programs during the summer. Summer Worship Choir – For those who might not be as interested in a long-term commitment or can’t make it up the stairs – this fun group will meet before church for a quick rehearsal, sing familiar songs, and be available to those who aren’t able to physically climb stairs.	Gabe and Pearl will follow through to get the details worked out and go into the bulletin for summer participation by the church. Church bulletin and website update.	Gabe and Pearl Joan	Right after Easter

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	<p>All these ideas were wholeheartedly endorsed by the Worship Board.</p> <p>Rekindle the Spirit – Also some plans in the works for this which will be the Sun after Labor Day – Sept 13th</p>			
<u>New Member Meetings</u>	<p>Sue noted she was not able to make it to the last New Member meeting because of the Lenten lunch – but we all desired to follow up and continue to attend this meeting. Other discussion ensued about being perceptive about any one new attending for first time or possible new members.</p>	<p>Worship Board will continue to attend New Member Meetings (Sue fo now) – but we all will take a personal responsibility to welcome new people.</p>	Board	continually
<u>Lent</u>	<p>Sue congratulated Kent for the special “Turning the Tables Upside Down” altar decoration last week and the very well received sermon. The entire Lenten season has been very inspirational and interesting..</p>			
<u>Palm Sunday</u>	??	Greeters? ?????		
<u>Maundy Thursday</u>	<p>Sue asked about maybe using some dancers during the service. Even though it may be a little late to plan this – Sue is going to check with Stephanie to see if she would like to put something together with Kent during the scriptural readings.</p> <p>Some discussion was made about having the service in the memorial garden and various other areas of the complex. For the sake of those with mobility issues and convenience – we will do it all inside of the main hall. Communion and Footwashing is planned</p>	<p>Check with potential dancers. We will also need assistance with communion and footwashing.</p> <p>Do we need to get some new towels???????</p>	<p>Sue – dancers Footwashing – Sue will get assistants Communion – Abby will get assistants</p>	Maundy Thursday
<u>Good Friday</u>	<p>Service will be an ecumenical service – held at Union Church – Kent will do it along with Lisa Caldwell Rice from First Christian Church. A guitarist from the Presbyterian Church is expected. Service will be from 12:15 – 1 PM.</p>	Greeters?	Who is available??	Good Friday

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<u>Sat before Easter</u>	We will need to do some set up for Easter. Also the Dedication for the Habitat House is happening.		Who is available to do set up???	Sat before Easter
Easter	We need a crew of people to blow up balloons on Sun AM – at least 150 balloons – tie and string them Processional – prefer 10 people – children OK – to carry in the cross, candles, banners, balloons, Bible, etc.	We all need to work on getting volunteers for Easter as we will need extras and some will be away. Coordinate with Maya. Get one person in charge of balloons. (Sue and Andy have to do music with kids so they are probably out of picture).	Who is available??	Easter Sunday
New Board Members	Dodie and BJ are expected to be elected to the Worship Board. New board member orientation will be held on Apr 11 th . Additional names were put forward for possible additions – but Kent reminded us that we need additional help – but not necessarily members of the Board as it makes it more difficult to get a quorum and be able to accomplish stuff. He suggested that we create a Hospitality Team that would usher and welcome and assist the Worship Board with the necessary holiday and special tasks. This team would not have to attend board meetings!	New Board orientation – Apr 11th. Stoles being designed and sewn by Abby. Would designate people serving as ushers a bit easier – so people could ask questions, etc.	New members Abbey	Apr 11th
New Offering Baskets	Discussion about getting some new offering baskets. The existing ones are worn and too small. We have a new group and members at church which make baskets – so we decided to check with them to see if they would be interested in making some new offering baskets that would be deep – but not too large and nest for easy storage. In the meantime – we will check about using Easter baskets for this Easter season.	Check with Mary Nash and Janet Northern to see if they would be interested in making offering baskets. Announcement regarding donations of Easter Baskets -	Sue Abby	By next meeting
Flowers	Easter lily donations. Summer flowers – Who can coordinate this?	Have Joan put an announcement in for Easter Lily donations.	Joan – have announcement re: lily donations in bulletin	By next week

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Hearing Assistance and Fiber Optic Installation progress	<p>New hearing aids cost about \$100 apiece and we need several replaced. Building Board is looking into a new induction loop hearing program that people with hearing aids that are compatible – will be able to tune into the hidden receivers. This will cost approx. \$1000 – no budget in ours this year – but it’s possible the funds could come from somewhere else.</p> <p>Kent has been trying to get an answer about what’s taking so long on the fiber optic install which will improve our broadcast – and allow us to broadcast in High Def. He has had no success in finding out why the delay – but when it does happen it should improve our signal by 200%. One of our new members – Jane Warth is willing to transcribe sermons and then we will be able to load them onto the website. Echo problem in the program is caused by an open choir monitor. Should be under control now.</p>	<p>Buildings is working on having the loop installed – and getting bids.</p> <p>Kent will keep working on this.</p>	Kent	No set time
Donation	<p>Marlene and John Payne donated a beautiful red silk scarf/runner to the Church for use at Pentecost or ?? The scarf was acquired in Laos on one of their recent journeys and it is handmade.</p>	<p>Sue will send a thank you note to the Payne’s for their donation.</p>	Sue	Done
Next meeting	<p>Do we need a meeting before Easter? We could meet on Wed Apr 1st at 4 PM. Our regular meeting is scheduled the week after Easter on Apr 8th. Abbey will advise us the actual date as we failed to discuss this before our meeting broke up.</p>	<p>Set meeting time</p>	Abby	Please advise ASAP